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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.

Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June

8, 1995, or to a ny design application.
1. Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114 Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).
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2. Miscellaneous
a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a
period of months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)
b. Other
3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.
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b. X Check in the amount of \$ 1,190.00 enclosed.
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Dear Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please preliminarily amend the subject application as follows before calculating the filing fee therefor:

The Applicants believe that a two-month extension of time is required since this response is being filed within two month of the expiration of the specified time period. The Applicants, however, conditionally petition for a further extension of time to provide for the possibility that such a petition has been inadvertently overlooked and is required. As provided below, charge Deposit Account **04-1105** for any required fee.

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